

Miller & Rhoads

Mail Orders Filled at Advertised Prices.

Black Crepe, 59<sup>c</sup>yd Regular \$1 Value,

Black Taffeta, 50<sup>c</sup>yd A Special.

For this reason: It is a good, strong, lustrous Black Silk that has been selling for well over \$1.00 a yard under ordinary conditions. We have marked it down to 50c a yard—a cut of over fifteen per cent. It is a silk that's worth your attention. (Main Floor, East.)

A Silk and Wool Black Dress Fabric, 44 inches wide. We cannot possibly recommend it too highly for looks and service.

'Twas a splendid value at the regular price, one dollar a yard. Now it's in the "special bargain" class at 59c yard.

(Main Floor, East.)

Boys' Wash Suits Special Prices 63<sup>c</sup> 93<sup>c</sup> \$1.23

Pereles, Chambrays, Union Linens and Crashes—all new, this season's suits, in Russian sailor style, trimmed with braid or stitched bands. The suits are cut full, well made, and the colors will stand the wash tub.

The values are the best at the several prices that have been offered anywhere this season: 250 Suits in all, divided into three lots. Sizes 3 to 9 years.

Lot 1	Lot 2	Lot 3
Union Linens and Pereles, in white and tan color.	White Union Linens, Blue and Oxblood Chambrays and Checked Pereles.	Union Linens, Chambrays and Crashes, white and tan; also black and white and blue and white checks.
63 <sup>c</sup>	93 <sup>c</sup>	\$1.23
(Second Floor, West.)		

NEGRO RESCUED BY POLICEMEN FROM MOB

Chased Him for Mile, Apparently Believing He Had Killed Mother With Ax.

JUMPED TEN-FOOT FENCE

Dodged Under Small House to Escape Pursuers and Fell Into Officer's Arms.

Quickly accepting the lesser of two evils, William Hill, colored, almost threw himself into the arms of Policemen Willis, who was waiting for him, pistol in hand, yesterday evening, after having been chased for more than a mile by an angry mob of colored people, bent upon stringing him up, apparently believing that he had murdered his aged mother. Even when Policemen Willis had taken him and was joined by Officers Wiley and McMillan, the mob gathered and took to turn him loose that short work might be made of him. The policemen had to use their clubs and pistols to thin out the crowd.

Struck Mother by Accident.

Hill, in the Second Station last night, said that he had been away from home for seventeen years because his mother had treated him cruelly as a boy; that he returned to the city about two months ago and had been working as a driver for the Crystal Ice Company. Having the evening off, he decided to go to his mother's house and take his sister out for a car ride. On his arrival there the sister informed him that she had an engagement and could not go. Whereupon, he told her that on account of his having been away so long, she ought to break the engagement.

It was at this juncture that the mother got into the game, with a broom, he said, and began to beat him across the head with great vigor. He snatched the broom, and in striking at his brother, who had also joined the fray, accidentally struck the old woman, cutting a shallow gash of about four inches in her scalp when he took to his heels.

Immediately word went the length and breadth of Jackson Ward that he had hit his mother with an ax, killing her instantly. Without waiting to ascertain the facts, a crowd gathered, and being augmented every minute, was soon howling upon his trail and gaining all the time.

Hill, thinking that perhaps he had really killed the old woman, told for his life. By devious ways he ran the space between his mother's home, No. 1116 Boyd Street, and Boyd's tobacco factory, near Adams and Leigh Streets, in a surprisingly short time. The howling crowd, which had by this time grown into a real mob, followed unerringly, and gradually got closer and closer.

Jumped Ten-Foot Fence. Covering the route he resorted to all of the wiles of a fox, jumping on street cars, running through cellars and dodging along alleys and side streets. His pursuers declare that twice he cleared fences more than ten feet high.

He cleared one fence and ran across the lot, which contains several small houses and the factory, and finally, after having been spied by Policemen Wiley, ran under the edge of a small house covered with canvas. As the officer went in Hill went out, running into the arms of Officer Willis, who took care of him.

Despite his long run Hill was game, and told the men who begged the policemen to let him have him that he would be glad to fight every one of the men provided they came one at a time. Last night he said that the row "didn't amount to nothing," and that he and his mother had never "pulled together."

Many Seek Position. W. H. Minor, city electrical inspector, whose term expires July 1st, will have strong opposition when he comes up for re-election before the Council Committee on Electricity. The position pays \$1,000 a year. Already Mr. Minor has four opponents. They are Thomas J. Martin, Thomas Bower, Charles Spikes and E. J. Sheppard. City Electrician Thompson has been requested to nominate three men from whom the committee will make its selection.

NO RECEIVERSHIP FOR EUREKA LIFE

Circuit Court Decides That Financial Showing Does Not Justify It.

INVESTIGATED BY THE STATE HAMPER TO EDUCATION Policy and Not Stockholder Alone Entitled to Institute Suit, Says Court.

In the City Circuit Court, Judge R. Carter Scott last night dissolved the injunction against the Eureka Life Insurance Company and discharged the receiver of that corporation, declaring that its showing of assets and liabilities was satisfactory in law. Though the principal office of the company is located in Philadelphia, it is incorporated under the laws of Virginia. Some time ago Insurance Commissioner Butten, hearing that the capital of the company had become impaired, revoked its charter to do business in Virginia pending an investigation of its affairs, an inquiry not yet completed. Meanwhile Morgan and others applied to Judge Barham, of Newport News, in vacation, for the appointment of a receiver. More than \$15,000 on deposit with the State Treasurer being involved, the Circuit Court of the city of Richmond was designated for the hearing, and a temporary receivership granted.

Attorney John A. Lamb appeared for the insurance company, while Mr. Raymond M. Hudson was attorney for Morgan and other policyholders.

Sustained Demurrer. At the morning session of the court a motion to dissolve the injunction was entered, the court sustaining the demurrer to the appointment of a receiver on behalf of a policyholder, not being a stockholder, of a mutual insurance company. The attorneys filed an amended bill, and the case, coming up on its merits, Judge Scott dissolved the injunction and discharged the receiver.

In the sworn statement filed with the court, the assets of the company were shown to exceed all liabilities by \$47,000.

Although the original application for the receivership was filed April 18th, one of the attorneys for the plaintiff kept the papers in his possession until June 8th, a proceeding which may lead to an inquiry on the part of the court.

MANY NEW BUILDINGS

James A. Richardson to Erect Six Brick Dwellings in the West End.

Permits were issued by Building Inspector Beck yesterday, as follows: S. T. Finley, to erect a frame stable at No. 2160 West Main, \$100.

J. R. Hicks, to erect a frame dwelling on the north side of Virginia Street, between Fulton and Erin Streets, \$550.

James A. Richardson, to erect six detached brick dwellings on the south side of Grace Street, between Cedar and Robinson Streets, cost, \$33,000.

H. O. Tiller, to erect a brick tenement, to be used for two dwellings, at Nos. 101 and 101 1-2 East Clay Street, \$5,500.

Charles Gasser, to erect a reinforced concrete dwelling at No. 814 West Cary Street, \$6,000.

H. M. Woodward, to erect one brick dwelling at No. 2004 Floyd Avenue.

City of Richmond, First Market, to erect two skylights on main market at nineteenth and Main Streets, cost, \$200.

NEW WITNESSES APPEAR

Grand Jury Reaching the End of the Rebate Investigation.

Indications point to the return of additional indictments to-day against the grand jury, which is investigating the rebate case. Alex. P. Gilbert and William H. Johnston, indicted several days ago, have been summoned to appear in court this morning at 11 o'clock, when their cases will be continued or set for trial.

It was expected that the grand jury would have finished its report and apply for its discharge at this time, but the report last night indicated that several additional witnesses are yet to be examined.

Mr. Wilson, manager of the company, and Mr. Monahan, manager of the company, were the most important witnesses yesterday, their appearances indicating that the company was coming under the searchlight with Forbes & Company and the Warner-Moore Company, whose affairs are the subject of the investigation. On Wednesday, Mr. Patterson was closeted with the jury for more than an hour. Colonel J. M. Borkin, district freight agent of the Seaboard Air Line; S. M. Chappell, chief clerk for the Chesapeake and Ohio; at the Sixth Street freight station; Frank Agon, H. R. Phinney, of the Seaboard Air Line, and L. E. Enlow, auditor of disbursements of the Chesapeake and Ohio, were the other witnesses. Reporting progress at the hour of adjournment the jury was expected until 11 o'clock to-day, when new developments are expected.

Condition of Virginia State Banks on February 14th

The Corporation Commission yesterday made public an abstract of reports showing the condition of State banks in Virginia on February 14th, as follows:

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$40,280,549 27
Overdrafts	887,304 71
Stocks, bonds and mortgages	4,732,486 07
Banking houses	1,616,783 24
Other real estate	450,521 00
Furniture and fixtures	484,573 84
Premiums paid on bonds	14,818 95
Checks and other cash items	354,043 00
Exchanges for clearing house	100,200 33
Due from national banks	5,338,571 03
Due from State banks and private bankers	1,430,347 05
Specie, nickels and cents	688,731 08
Paper currency	2,828,931 10
All other items of resource	182,940 86
Total	\$64,850,405 84
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$11,132,363 01
Surplus fund	3,545,014 18
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes	2,050,901 00
Dividends unpaid	61,124 87
Total deposits	43,177,642 51
Due to national banks	480,463 32
Due to State banks and private bankers	1,104,986 75
Notes and bills rediscounted	794,177 78
Bills payable	1,235,100 28
All other items of liability	344,005 93
Total	\$64,850,405 84

BOND ISSUE LOST

Plan to Improve Schools Failed to Secure Proper Support at Polls.

The Unofficial Returns Clearly Indicate That Advancement Is Checked.

Unofficial returns from Brookland District, which went to press last night, indicated that the proposed bond issue of \$40,000 for school improvements failed in the election yesterday, not having received the required 51 per cent. of the qualified vote. The returns showed 255 votes for and 102 against the bond issue.

The proposition submitted to the people of Brookland District in this election was the issuance of \$40,000 of bonds to cover the cost of the erection of a new school building at Chestnut Hill, a new building at Glen Allen and an addition to the Barton Heights School. Though unofficial, the vote was as follows:

	For.	Against.
Barton Heights	105	2
Chestnut Hill	114	18
Hungary (Glen Allen)	20	62
Brulins	6	20
Total	255	102

It seems to be difficult to determine just how many qualified voters there are in the county at present, the books not having been purged since the general registration, when the new County School Board was elected. It is estimated, however, that there were about 600 qualified voters in Brookland District, not counting the old soldiers, who are entitled to vote without payment of poll tax.

Superintendent of County Schools Jackson Davis said last night that he was not altogether surprised at the vote.

"We received practically solid support in Barton Heights and Chestnut Hill, where most of the money was to be spent," said Mr. Davis. "The opposition came from districts not immediately included in the advantages of the proposed improvements. At Hungary Precinct, near Glen Allen, the people from the Laurel neighborhood seem to have voted solidly against the measure. They were evidently opposed to the location of the school at Glen Allen."

The failure of the bond issue in the two large suburbs of Richmond—Chestnut Hill and Barton Heights—was of considerable importance in both townships of the advantages of annexation to Richmond, rather than to be longer hampered in their development by the country vote.

CANNOT PLEAD IGNORANCE

Food Commissioner Saunders Calls Attention to Penalties of Law.

Food Commissioner Saunders yesterday called attention to the penalties of the law enacted by the General Assembly last year, which makes it a crime for anyone to violate the pure food laws enacted by the General Assembly last year.

"The consuming public demands and is entitled to the protection afforded by the law," said Commissioner Saunders, "and it is the duty of the law enforcement officers to see that the law is enforced. The law is not a mere suggestion, it is a command, and it is the duty of the law enforcement officers to see that the law is enforced."

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Giffen to Present Miss Ryland's Sketch on Monday Night in Behalf of Charity.

Enticing, indeed, is the Giffen offering for the coming week at the Academy of Music, with a benefit performance on Monday night for the Girls' Club.

A splendid double bill is announced by Manager Giffen, the sprightly three-act comedy, "Cousin Kate," which brought fame and fortune to Hubert Henry Davies, being preceded by Miss Gally Ryland's one-act play, "The Way Out."

The curtain raiser is the work of one of the most brilliant young literary women in Virginia. Miss Ryland is widely known as the author of several successful books of fiction, and has won recognition in the literary world as a humorous writer through the "Aunt Jemima" sketches, which are classed among the cleverest dialect literature of the day. She makes her debut as a playwright in "The Way Out."

The piece is a scintillant little comedy. Its action is brisk, the dialogue crisp with wit and repartee, and the plot an original one. The situations are ingeniously devised, and are worked out with charming naturalness to a logical, yet none the less surprising and agreeable denouement.

"The Way Out" will be presented by Miss Lucille La Vorne, Miss Mildred Johnson and Frank Patton. The actors depicted are two young society women and a husband.

"In 'Cousin Kate,' Miss Grayce Scott will be seen in a character not unlike Cyrenne of 'Oliviers.' All of the characters of 'Cousin Kate' are interesting. They are clear cut, vivid and humanly magnetic types. The interplay of contrasting characters in 'Cousin Kate' furnishes a breezy flow of genuine comedy. Every minute of the action is loaded with a laugh.

Tobacco Company Transfer. A deed of bargain and sale was recorded in the clerk's office of the Chancery Court yesterday, conveying from the American Cigar Company to the Federal Cigar Company the tract of land at the northeast corner of Cary and Twenty-third Streets, fronting 132 feet on Cary Street, and several other lots of property, in that vicinity, with improvements thereon, for the sum of \$1,000 in cash and other valuable considerations. The property included in the sale was valued for taxation at \$122,520.

COMES AT LAST INTO HERITAGE

Theodore Von Thien to Have Title and Fortune After Long Service as Butler.

SON OF A GERMAN COUNT Estate Held in Trust Amounts to 6,000,000 Marks—Gets Proof at Last.

Though aware that he was entitled to a high place in the German nobility, and that he would some day inherit a vast fortune, Theodore von Thien, who has labored for two years in the household of Mr. P. P. Ryan, No. 320 North Harrison Street, without even informing his most intimate friends of his prospects, was notified on Wednesday that in December he will become joint possessor with his brother, August, in an almost fabulous sum left by his father, Count Peter von Thien, of Germany. In future his title will be Theodore Charles Count Kronfels-Thien.

Valued at 6,000,000 Marks. Previous to the birth of Theodore, forty-two years ago, his father was lost in the wreck of his private yacht "Fargat," with the entire crew and some friends. Not being able to find any trace of the count, the German government refused to give a certificate of his death until his seventeenth birthday, which will occur in December. Interest thereon has been accruing on the estate for that length of time.

Expert accountants have been at work on the estate, and having figured the income up to 1900, estimate the amount due on that date is 6,000,000 Marks, with an interest of \$100,000 to 1908. The matter has been in the hands of Monsieur de Louvrieux, a French lawyer, who has worked on it faithfully, and who made the announcement to the legatees.

August von Thien settled in New York. Being more fortunate than his brother, he accumulated a large estate. In May, when the lawyer came to him, he returned with him. He is still in Germany attending to the great estate and has ordered that his property in the United States be sold.

Thinking that he would some day inherit the great hotel owned by his aunt, Madame Maurice Chamberdoulle, in Paris, Theodore von Thien began, on his arrival in America, to learn the hotel business from the bottom, so that he would be well acquainted with it if he should obtain his heritage. With this end in view he served as a waiter in the Hotel in New York, coming from there to Mr. Ryan's.

Not Surprised Over News.

When the news of his good fortune was announced to him he did not seem at all surprised, and expressed his sorrow at having to leave Mr. Ryan's employment. He said that it was the only home he had ever had, and that he was happy there. Mr. Ryan immediately relieved him of all of his duties. Von Thien, however, did not leave, but said that he would remain with him until he went to Germany in December. In July he will go to Washington to consult with the Grenc and German consuls there.

Von Thien is a man of striking appearance, excellent education. He speaks French, German and English fluently, and is a man of the most commanding presence. He is now six inches above the sidewalk. In the trial in the Law and Equity Court, the jury assessed the damages at \$2,300. The city appealed and the Supreme Court of Appeals affirmed the verdict of the lower tribunal. The matter is of unusual importance, as it determines the south line in Broad Street in that square.

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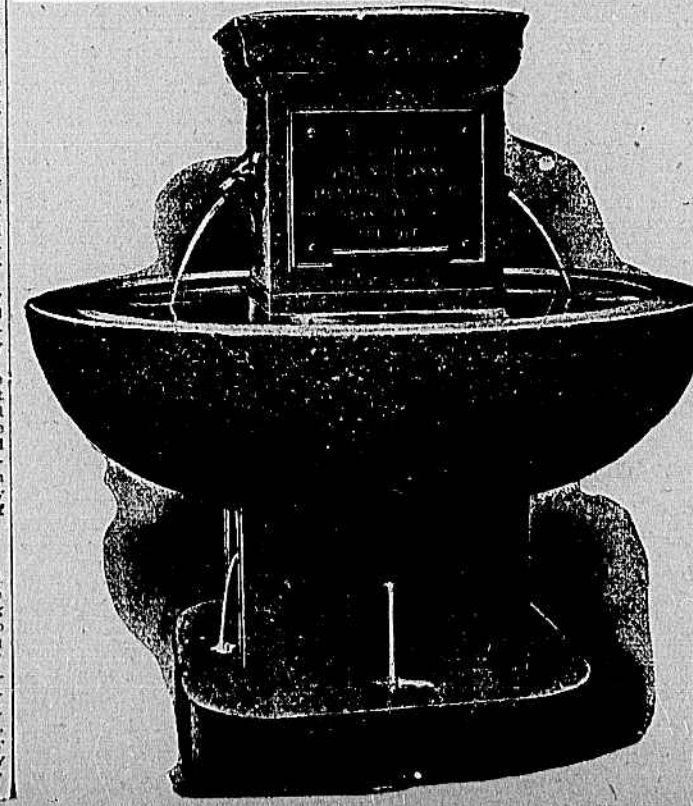
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READY TO BEGIN MARCH Howitzers Make Final Preparations for Trip Through Valley.

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"We expect to get all the vegetables necessary along the route," said Captain Myers last night, "but if there is anything wrong with the Valley farms and the supply should fall short, we will have the articles along in canned form, and few would know the difference if we used them. However, no shortage is liable to occur, and it is a safe bet that the farmers in the section to be invaded will have more on hand than the Howitzers can use."

NEW FOUNTAIN PRESENTED TO CITY



Men's Suits Worth Up to \$30.00

CHOICE \$16.00

Men's Suits Worth Up to \$22.00

CHOICE \$10.00

If you are interested in either of the above sales you will have to supply yourselves by Saturday night—the assortment is still good and includes Blue Serges and Black Tibbets and plenty of the new shades of Tan and Brown.

Clearance Sale of Boys' Suits

OUR ENTIRE STOCK IS GIVEN OVER TO YOU AT THE FOLLOWING REDUCTIONS:

All \$3.50 and \$4.00 Suits....	\$2.50	All Extra Knee Pants Reduced	
All \$5.00 and \$5.50 Suits....	\$3.95	All 50c ones reduced to.....	35c
All \$6.00 and \$6.50 Suits....	\$4.45	All 75c ones reduced to.....	45c
All \$7.00 and \$7.50 Suits....	\$4.95	All 1.00 ones reduced to.....	65c
All \$8.00 and \$8.50 Suits....	\$6.45	All 1.50 ones reduced to.....	\$1.15
All \$9.00 and \$10.00 Suits....	\$7.25	All 2.00 ones reduced to.....	\$1.35

All Wash Suits Reduced

\$1.50 Wash Suits now	\$1.15
\$2.00 Wash Suits now	\$1.45
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\$3.50 Wash Suits now	\$2.45
\$4.00 Wash Suits now	\$2.85
\$5.00 Wash Suits now	\$3.45

All Furnishings Reduced

25c Underwear now	15c
50c Underwear now	35c
Mother's Friend Shirts	35c
Six Shirtwaists	80c

100 Boys' Long Pants Suits

Sizes 15 to 18 years; original prices \$10.00 and \$12.50.

Clearance Price, \$6.00

Gans-Rady Company

BELLEN CASE WON BY THE CITY

Supreme Court Denies Woman's Claim to Four Feet Right of Way on Broad.

Refusing to set aside the verdict of the City Circuit Court, the Court of Appeals, at Wytheville, yesterday finally settled the famous Bellen case by deciding that the south line of Broad Street, between Monroe and Henry was in accordance with the maps and measurements submitted by City Attorney Pollard. The effect of the decision is that Mrs. Bellen's claim to about four feet on the thoroughfare is denied.

Suit was originally brought here by Mr. Pollard, who alleged that the defendant had encroached upon and was occupying a strip of land in front of her lot on Broad, between Monroe and Henry, which was legally a part of Broad Street. The suit was won in the Circuit Court by the city, the Supreme Court affirming the judgment of the lower tribunal. The matter is of unusual importance, as it determines the south line in Broad Street in that square.

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BOARD REJECTED REMOVAL PLAN

Not Advised, However, as to Whether or Not Dr. McFaden Will Accept Presidency.

The Rev. Frank T. McFaden, D. D., who was elected to the presidency of Hampden-Sidney College on Wednesday, returned to the city early yesterday morning. He said last night that he had not decided about accepting the position.

"The election was forced upon me," said Dr. McFaden. "I told them in the board meeting that I could not accept. They insisted on electing me, however, and coming as it did by a unanimous vote, I felt that I must give it due consideration before making a final answer."

Dr. McFaden is one of the leaders of his denomination in this State, being pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of this city.

Rejected Removal Plan. From other sources it is learned that the board, while issuing no formal statement of its action, refused by the closest vote to entertain a proposition for the removal of the college. Though no definite offer was made to the trustees from Washington and Lee University, some friends of that institution sounded the board as to its view as to consolidation, the test vote being against such a move.

Afterward, for some time been active in his efforts to move the college, and, in fact, is reported to have said that the future of the institution depended on its location in some centre of population, accessible to railroad communication. When the board rejected the removal proposition, President McFaden felt that he was no longer in accord with its policy, and resigned. The institution is seven miles from a railroad line, and telephone communication has been interrupted by storm. Details of the action of the board cannot, therefore, be obtained at this time, although students returning to their homes are spreading many wild tales about the various matters said to have been submitted to the board.

TWO PRECINCTS OUT

Vote Not Counted Because of Failure to Comply With the Law.

In canvassing the votes cast in the general election in this city the election board yesterday threw out two precincts, Second Lee and Third Henry, because of errors on the part of registrars and clerks. In Second Lee the clerks used one of the books for colored and one for white voters, instead of the duplicated poll books, as required under the law this is held to be irregular, and the 110 ballots cast at this precinct were discarded.

At Third Henry the clerks enclosed the poll books in the box of case under the same seal, contrary to instructions. The vote, which was small, was not counted.

The board of canvassers is composed of Andrew Krouse, T. A. Cavado, Charles E. Cary and W. D. Cabell. Charles E. Cary and W. D. Cabell, clerk Walter Christian, of the Hustings Court, is clerk of the board. The registrars are H. S. Wright, at Second Lee, and N. V. Coleman, at Second Henry.

Sailed for Germany. Among the passengers sailing on the steamship Grosser Kurfuerst, of the North German Lloyd line, from New York to Bremen yesterday, were Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Stumpf, Mr. Julius Stumpf, Miss Maria L. Stumpf, Miss Virginia M. Stumpf, of Richmond.

Excelsior Encampment Officers. Excelsior Encampment, No. 22, O. E. have elected the following officers for the ensuing term: R. A. Gill, chief patriarch; W. G. Green, senior warder; J. H. Ray, high priest; James McSoley, junior warder; Rosser L. Jennings, scribe; Robert Wier, treasurer.